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To: Each Supervisor

From: Michael J. Henry
Director of Personnel

Subject: **PRESS INQUIRY REGARDING PAID LEAVE AT KING/DREW MEDICAL CENTER (KDMC)**

Charles Ornstein of the Los Angeles Times is requesting information relating to the use of paid "administrative" leave at KDMC. In the County, an employee may be reassigned to his/her home or another non-County work location, with pay, pending the completion of an investigation. In the County, this is referred to as "ordered absence" from the regular work location.

The following information is being provided to Mr. Ornstein for the period January 1, 2004 through June 30, 2005:

- Sixty-two KDMC employees received pay for ordered absence
- Total associated cost is estimated at \$1.34 million

The investigations for 50 of these cases have been completed. Twelve cases are still under review.

If you have any questions, please call me.

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